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SUBJECT: RQST FOR TREATMENT OF FORN NATL AT US MIL MED FACILITY--
LT HUSSEIN AHMAD ELIAS

REF: HQ USAF/SGPA MSG 3388 241011Z JAN 78, SAB, NOTAL SEC
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1. MG SALEH KURDI, COMMANDER ORAYL JORDANIAN AIR FORCE, HAS
REQUESTED USAF HELP IN EVALUATING AND RECOMMENDING TREATMENT
FOR SUBJECT OFF, AN F-5 PILOT IN THE RJAF. BRIG DR M.I.
MARAQA, CHIEF OF NEUROSURGERY AND DIRECTOR OF THE KING HUSSEIN
MEDICAL CENTER IN AMMAN, HAS PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING REPORT:
QUOTE:

THE ABOVE NAMED 23 YEAR OLD FIGHTER PILOT ATTENDED SEVERAL
TIMES TO THE OUTPATIENT CLINICS AT KING HUSSEIN MEDICAL
CENTRE DURING THE PERIOD MAY 2, 1976 AND SEP 29, 1977.
HIS MAIN COMPLAINT WAS LOW BACK PAIN EXTENDING UP TO HIS NECK.
THE PAIN OCCURS ONLY DURING A CERTAIN TYPE OF FLYING (3G) AND
LASTS FOR TWO DAYS. HE CLAIMS IT IS VERY SEVERE AND ASSOCIATED
WITH MUSCLE SPASM OF THE NECK WITH ROTATION. NO RADIATION TO
THE ARMS OR LEGS. NO NUMBNESS OR PARASTHESIA. NO SPHINCTERIC
DISTURBANCES. NO HEADACHE OR VERTIGO. CLINICAL EXAMINATION OF
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THE NERVOUS SYSTEM AS WELL AS OF THE SPINE PERFORMED BY THE
NEUROLOGICAL TEAM REVEALED THE FOLLOWING: MENTAL STATE:
NORMAL; CRANIAL NERVES: NORMAL; FUNCTION: NORMAL; TONE,
POWER, COORDINATION: NORMAL; REFLEXES: PRESENT AND EQUAL;
SENSATION TO ALL MODALITIES: NORMAL. THE ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEON,
HOWEVER, WHO ALSO EXAMINED THIS PATIENT, THOUGHT THAT HE WAS A
CATCH UP IN THE EXTREME EXTENSION OF THE BACK WHEREBY THE POSSIBILITY

OF

MECHANICAL INSTABILITY OF THE LUMBAR SPINE WAS CONSIDERED AS
A VERY REMOTE ONE. UNQUOTE.

2. GEN KURDI REQUESTED EVALUATION/TREATMENT AT A USAF EOSP
IN EUROPE; HOWEVER, PER REFTEL, USAF HAS NO NEUROSURGICAL
CAPABILITY AND NO WAY TO REPRODUCE 3G ENVIRONMENT (HUMAN
CENTRIFUGE). USAF/SGPA RECOMMENDED THE USAF SCHOOL OF AEROSPACE
MEDICINE AT BROOKS AFB, TX IN CONJUNCTION WITH WILFORD HALL
USAF MED CENTER.

3. GEN KURDI WAS APPRISED OF THIS SITUATION AND WOULD LIKE
TO PURSUE THE POSSIBILITY OF EXAMINATION AND TREATMENT AS
RECOMMENDED ABOVE. REQUEST YOU ADVISE IF FACILITIES AT BROOKS AND
WILFORD
HALL ARE AVAILABLE FOR EVALUATION AND TREATMENT OF SUBJ OFFICER
AND APPROX ORDER OF MAGNITUDE OF COSTS FOR SUCH SERVICE IF
AVAILABLE.

4. GEN KURDI'S REQUEST WAS TENDERED ONLY AFTER EXHAUSTING BEST
AVAILABLE MED SOURCES IN JORDAN. TREATMENT WILL RECOVER A VALUABLE
AND CRITICAL RESOURCE FOR THE GOJ AND ENHANCE US/JO RELATIONSHIPS.
THIS TREATMENT IS THEREFORE DEFINITELY IN THE US NATIONAL INTEREST.
EVALUATION/TREATMENT COSTS WILL BE FULLY REIMBURSED BY GOJ.
RECOMMEND APPROVAL.
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